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Sanitary installation in the Queen Mary's College, Madras.

* 335 *Q.*—Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the sanitary installation in the Queen Mary's College and hostel has not been connected up with the city underground drainage;

(*b*) if so, what the reasons therefor are;

(*c*) whether there is any proposal before the Government to connect the sanitary installation of the college and hostel to the city drainage; and

(*d*) what the estimated cost of the work is and when the work will be completed?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The existing arrangement by which the college sewage is treated in a septic tank, was adopted at a time when there was no city sewer in the neighbourhood with which the college sewers could be connected.

(*c*) There is no proposal pending with the Government. The Director of Public Instruction is however considering the question and has called for preliminary plans and estimates.

(*d*) No plans and estimates have so far been received and it is not possible to say when the work will be begun and completed.

Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED:—"With reference to the answer given to clause (*a*), viz., 'Yes,' may I ask whether it means that the sanitary installation has not been connected with the city undeground drainage? I would like to know exactly what the position is? The question is whether it has not been connected? The answer is 'Yes.' Am I to understand that it has been connected?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—"The quesion is 'Whether it is a fact that the sanitary installation has not been connected with the city drainage?' The answer is 'it is a fact.' That is to say it has not been connected."

Recommendation of the Law College Committee in re the appointment of lecturers.

* 336 *Q.*—Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether, before the present lecturers were originally appointed, the Law College Committee recommended candidates; and, if so, how many;

(*b*) whether any Indian Christians were recommended by the Law College Committee, and, if so, how many; and

(*c*) what the academic qualifications of the Indian Christian candidates thus recommended were?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) Recommendations of this kind are always regarded as confidential and it is not considered to be in the public interest to disclose them.

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Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM :—" May I know the number of candidates recommended for the posts of lecturers in the Law College ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" Everything connected with the recommendations made by the Services Commission and similar bodies is considered confidential."

Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM :—" May I know whether there is any Indian Christian in the Selection Committee of the Law College ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" I cannot say if there is any from recollection."

Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM :—" May I know whether the claims of Indian Christians were absolutely ignored in spite of the recommendations of the Law College Committee ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" I do not know if they were ignored. However, I can say that the Committee considered the claims of all communities."

Diwan Bahadur C. S. RATNASABHAPATI MUDALIYAR :—" May I know the authority which makes these appointments ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" The selection is now in the hands of the Public Services Commission."

Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR :—" May I know for what period they are appointed ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" The tenure of office of a lecturer is three years after the probation period is over."

Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR :—" May I know what is the period of probation ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" I cannot say definitely. Probably it will be one year."

Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM :—" May I know from the hon. Minister that no Indian Christian was available for this post ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" There was a Committee before and there is a Commission now to consider the claims of candidates. The Government proceeds on the recommendation of the Committee or the Commission."

Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM :—" That is exactly what I wanted to know. Did not the Committee or the Commission recommend any single Indian Christian ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" The recommendations of the Committee are confidential."

Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED :—" May I know how many Christians there are on the Law College Committee and the Commission which considered this question ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" The personnel of the Services Commission is known to hon. Members."

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* Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED :—" May I know how many Christians there are on each of the two bodies?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" We do not know how many there are on the Committee. But there are two Christians on the Commission."

Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR :—" May I ask the hon. Minister whether the Government will be pleased to consider the claims of the various communities and advise the Selection Board and the Services Commission to take into consideration the claims of the various communities and do communal justice?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" These appointments being only temporary, communal rules are not applicable."

Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR :—" May I ask the hon. Minister to advise the Committee in charge of selection to see that, as far as possible, representation is given to various communities?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" That is done usually under statutory rules and there are no such rules in this case."

Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM :—" When making these appointments, did not the hon. Minister consider the claims of the various communities except the Indian Christian community?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" The recommendations of the Committee were duly considered and appointments were made upon those recommendations."

Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM :—" Did not communal claims enter into the mind of the hon. Minister when making these appointments?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" I can't say; the appointments were made some years ago."

Personnel of the Selection Committee of the Teachers' College, Saidapet.

* 337 *Q.*—Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) the personnel of the Committee appointed for the selection of candidates for admission into the Teachers' Training College, Saidapet;

(*b*) the purpose for which the Committee was originally constituted; and

(*c*) whether, in making appointments to the Committee, the claims of the various communities were considered?

A.—(*a*) (1) The Principal of the College.
(2) M.R.Ry. S. Balakrishna Ayyar Avargal, Lecturer, Teacher's College.